2 **AMENDMENTS**

In the Claims

Please amend claim 19 to read as follows:

19. An absorbent article to be worn by a wearer adjacent the skin, the absorbent article comprising:

a chassis having edges, said chassis comprising:

an outer covering layer; and

an absorbent core encased in said outer covering layer;

a barrier cuff joined to said chassis, said barrier cuff comprising a separate barrier cuff member having a proximal edge and a distal edge in spaced relation to said proximal edge, said proximal edge being joined to said outer covering layer, a portion of said distal edge not being secured to the absorbent article, and a spacing elastic element operatively associated with said distal edge for allowing said barrier cuff element to stand upwardly away from said outer covering layer, said barrier cuff comprising metallocene polypropylene spunbond fibers having a denier less than about 1.3 and a hydrostatic head of at least about 85 mm.

Please amend claim 20 to read as follows:

20. An absorbent article to be worn by a wearer adjacent the skin, the absorbent article comprising:

a chassis having edges, said chassis comprising:

an outer covering layer; and

an absorbent core encased in said outer covering layer;

a barrier cuff joined to said chassis, said barrier cuff comprising a separate barrier cuff member having a proximal edge and a distal edge in spaced relation to said proximal edge, said proximal edge being joined to said outer covering layer, a portion of said distal edge not being secured to the absorbent article, and a spacing elastic element operatively associated with said distal edge for allowing said barrier cuff element to stand upwardly away from said outer covering layer, said barrier cuff comprising metallocene polypropylene spunbond fibers having a denier less than about 1.3 and a hydrostatic head of at least about 85 mm; and

an effective amount of a skin care composition disposed on said barrier cuff member, said skin care composition being semi-solid or solid at 20°C and at least partially transferable to a wearer's skin.

Support for these claim amendments can be found at page 19, lines 16 through 20 of the specification. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "<u>Version with markings to show changes made</u>".